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COUNTRY: GUATEMALA

SUBJ: COMMENTS BY A GUATEMALAN [REDACTED] REGARDING A
HUMAN RIGHTS CASE INVOLVING U.S. CITIZEN DIANA ORTIZ

DOI: MID-FEBRUARY 1994

SOURCE: [REDACTED]

TEXT: 1. IN MID-FEBRUARY 1994, A GUATEMALAN [REDACTED] COMMENTED THAT THE FORMER SITE OF THE GUATEMALAN MILITARY ACADEMY (ESCUELA POLITECNICA), LOCATED NEAR THE U.S. EMBASSY ON AVENIDA LA REFORMA IN ZONE 10 OF GUATEMALA CITY, COULD NOT POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN THE LOCATION WHERE U.S. CITIZEN DIANA ((ORTIZ)) ALLEGES SHE WAS DETAINED, AND PHYSICALLY AND SEXUALLY ASSAULTED IN FEBRUARY 1989 BY MEMBERS OF AN UNIDENTIFIED GUATEMALAN GOVERNMENT SECURITY FORCE. [REDACTED] SAID THAT WHILE HE HAD NO SPECIFIC KNOWLEDGE OF DETAILS SURROUNDING THIS HUMAN RIGHTS CASE, THE GUATEMALAN PRESS PUBLISHED ORTIZ' PUBLIC COMMENTS IN 1993 AND EARLY 1994 THAT SHE HAD BEEN HELD AT THE ESCUELA POLITECNICA. [REDACTED] SAID ORTIZ COULD NOT POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN DETAINED AT THE ESCUELA POLITECNICA BECAUSE GOVERNMENT INTELLIGENCE SERVICES MOVED OUT OF THE COMPOUND IN EARLY 1985.

2. [REDACTED] EXPLAINED THAT THE FORMER SITE OF THE GUATEMALAN MILITARY ACADEMY, NOW COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS THE OLD ESCUELA POLITECNICA, WAS THE LOCATION OF THE D-2 (DIRECTORATE OF INTELLIGENCE) OF THE GUATEMALAN ARMED FORCES GENERAL STAFF FROM APPROXIMATELY 1982 UNTIL EARLY 1985. IN EARLY 1985, THE D-2 MOVED OUT OF THE OLD ESCUELA POLITECNICA AND THE SITE WAS TURNED OVER TO THE D-5 (CIVIL-MILITARY AFFAIRS) OF THE GENERAL STAFF. [REDACTED] SAID THE D-2 HAD HOLDING OR DETENTION CELLS LOCATED IN A CONVERTED LAUNDRY AT THE OLD ESCUELA POLITECNICA, BUT THAT THESE DETENTION CELLS WERE COMPLETELY DISMANTLED IN EARLY 1985 WHEN THE D-2 MOVED OUT OF THE LOCATION. HE SAID THAT SINCE EARLY 1985, THERE HAS NOT BEEN EITHER AN INTELLIGENCE SERVICE OR ANY FACILITY FOR HOLDING PERSONS AT THE OLD ESCUELA POLITECNICA.

3. [REDACTED] ADDED THAT WHILE HE DID NOT FEEL COMPETENT TO JUDGE WHETHER OR NOT THE REST OF THE DETAILS OF THE ORTIZ CASE ARE ACCURATE, HE IS CERTAIN THAT ORTIZ ERRED IN IDENTIFYING THE OLD ESCUELA POLITECNICA AS THE SITE WHERE SHE WAS DETAINED. HE SPECULATED THAT ORTIZ MAY HAVE BEEN SHOWN THE SITE BY PERSONS INTERESTED IN ASSISTING HER TO FORTIFY HER CASE AGAINST THE GUATEMALAN GOVERNMENT AND WHO WOULD HAVE KNOWN THE SITE WAS FORMERLY ASSOCIATED WITH GOVERNMENT SECURITY FORCES. HE ADDED THAT ORTIZ, HOWEVER, WAS APPARENTLY GRASPING AT STRAWS IN IDENTIFYING THE OLD ESCUELA POLITECNICA AS THE SITE OF HER ALLEGED DETENTION.

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